

Dennis J. McLerran, Regional Administrator

Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10



Dennis McLerran was appointed by President Barack Obama to serve as the Regional Administrator (RA) for Region 10, leading a staff of 650 employees, with responsibility for an annual budget of \$500 million. He was sworn in on February 22, 2010. As RA, Dennis oversees the implementation and enforcement of the federal environmental rules and regulations in the states of Washington, Oregon, Idaho, and Alaska, including 271 tribal governments in the Pacific Northwest and Alaska.

Before moving to EPA, Dennis served as Executive Director of the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency, a state chartered regional agency that adopts and enforces air quality standards that protect the health of 3.5 million Washington residents. As executive director, he led the development of an innovative strategy to reduce emissions at the ports of Seattle, Tacoma and Metro Vancouver. Prior to that, he served as City Attorney for the City of Port Townsend and Director of the Seattle Department of Construction and Land Use. Dennis has over 20 years experience as an advocate, attorney and administrator. Dennis received his bachelor's degree from the University of Washington and a J.D. from the Seattle University School of Law.